

THE  
SECOND BOOK  
OF THE  
CHRONICLE  
OF  
WILLIAM  
THE  
Son of GEORGE

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*Put not your Trust in D---bmen, nor in the  
Sons of H---ll---d, in whom there is  
no Help. King David.*

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By DATHAN the Jew.  
Physician to Koningsegg the Marshal.

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1 **N**OW it came to passe, that the  
Army of the Allies went out  
to the Army of French to battle.

2 And there came some deserters from  
the enemy that told William, there  
were a great number against them, even  
fourscore thousand men.

3 But William said unto his captains,  
and valiant men, We fear not their num-  
bers,

bers, let us be of good courage, for we have God and a good cause on our side.

4. Howbeit In——dsby the brigadier, notwithstanding his repeat orders, did not attack the fort as he was commanded, and a great number of men were slain thro' his neglect.

5 And W——k the prince who went up to attack the village, likewise miscarry'd in his attempt.

6 Now the men of Britain, whom William led on, fought like lions, and slaughtered the enemy prodigiously, driving them from their entrenchments, and strong hold; and leaving some thousands dead upon the plain.

7 Notwithstanding which, the great number of cannon the enemy kept playing on them, oblig'd them to retreat, which was done in good order, the enemy not daring the one step.

8. There were forty men of Britain, who had not courage to see the Battle out, so they march'd away some distance from the Army, to a place called Bruffels.

9. But they were soon overtaken, and brought back to the Camp of William and Konigsegg.

10 Then

10. Then William and Konigsegg called the several General Officers to them, and said, we will hold a Court Martial for the Trial of these Men.

11. And there were 27 out of the 40 men order'd to draw Lots, for three out of the 27 to be shot to Death.

12. Now when the time was come for their Execution, they were brought out on the Plain, a Minister attending them, and when their Caps were drawn over their eyes behold William, out of his great clemency, stepped up to them, and said, Gentlemen, I give you your lives; see that you do your duty for the future.

13. And the other 24 Men were order'd to be whipp'd.

14. Now there was a certain great Officer tried for not obeying orders, and condemn'd to be shot to Death which was done accordingly.

15. And it came to pass, after William had punish'd these men according to their deserts, he likewise rewarded those who behaved well.

16. So there was a certain poor man, among the Highlander, who was of great courage and he smote nine of the enemy  
even

even unto death with his broad sword, and was smiting a tenth, when lo a cannon ball took off his left arm.

17. When this poor man was brought unto William the captain general, and his bravery told unto him by his officers, he said, thou shalt be no more a common foldier, but an officer, called a lieutenant.

18 And he is a lieutenant unto this day.

19 Now there was another Officer, whose heart failed him in the day of battle, and he was ordered to be drummed thro' his own regiment with a halter about his neck, and afterwards turned out of the service.

20 After the heat of the battle was over, William the captain received a commission to promote all persons according to their behaviour. as to him should seem meet.

21, So there were a great Number of common Soldiers made Serjeants, and Serjeants made Captains, according to their bravery in this action:

22. Now when William the Captain, and his men were retreated, a message was sent unto him from the French General, saying, that the men  
of



of Britain, who were taken prisoners, should be confined in the Prisons, Forts, Castles, &c. of the French King, until the release of Bellisle the Marshal, and his Brother.

23. But answer was sent the French General, that Bellisle the Marshal, &c. was not taken in Battle, but rather as spies, and that instead of being released, they ought to have been —.

24. Now there was a certain man among the Horse Guards called the Blues, who had the misfortune to have his Horse shot under him, and not finding another ready for him to mount, he eagerly ran in among the Foot Grenadiers, and fought among them.

25. And it was an odd sight to see a blue coat, among those who were cloath'd in red.

26. However, it distinguished the man, and the officers acquainted William the Commander therewith.

27. And William ordered the man to be brought forth unto him, and said, Thou art a brave Fellow, in fighting for thy King and Country in any capacity

paciry, and for thy reward, here is five pieces of Gold.

28 And those pieces of gold were called guineas.

29 Now after this battle was over, the French army, who were double the number of the allies, withdrew themselves at a great distance, fearing a second visit from them.

30 And the French King sent a letter to his Queen, assuring her he had gained a compleat victory, tho' scarce within the smell of gunpowder during the whole action.

31 The Dauphin likewise wrote to his mamma, acquainting her with his bravery, who lay hid in a wood during the fight, and after the allied army were rerreated, he boldly marched out.

32 And no behold the French king's army ceaseth no to fight against us, and against our allies, whom we are resolved to defend:

33 Therefore William gave orders for assembling the army together in order to wait for reinforcements to attack the enemy again.

34 And William said unto his generals and captains be strong, of good courage,

courage, and behave like men: am not I  
your commander.

35. Fear not, neither their numbers,  
nor their can hurt ye, if you but be-  
have brave, our forces are considerably  
increased, and more are coming, so  
that we shall be able to see the Enemy  
again in a very short time, when God  
send us good success.

36. For we have a Reinforcement  
of D——ch, H——, and Austrians,  
and a great many Others, who are all  
Men of Valour.

Thus endeth the Second Book of  
the Chronicle of William, the Son  
of George.

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